

Orem mothers to monitor children on footbridge

City to build fence to keep kids from playing in canal on way to and from school.

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OREM — Several northeast Orem mothers who aren't willing to take chances with their children's safety are volunteering to monitor students as they use a footbridge over the Murdock Canal to reach Northridge Elementary.

The footbridge was built by the city last fall following a request from neighbors who wanted easy access to the school and Northridge Park, said Kendall Adamson, city construction engi-

neer.

But as the canal began to fill with water during the spring, parents grew concerned about possible drownings because children like to play in and around the canal on their way to and from school.

Some children swim in the canal and others cross a drainpipe that runs alongside the bridge, said parent Judy Conrad.

As the snow melts in the mountains, runoff will increase and the canal will become more dangerous.

In response to parents' concerns, the city of Orem will build a fence to keep children from playing in the canal. The fence will be com-

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pleted within a week, Adamson said.

"In order to save time, we (the city) are doing it ourselves instead of putting it up to bid," said City Council member Judy Belt. Road project money will be used to build the fence.

"That was the only area along the canal that wasn't fenced," she said.

City Manager Daryl Berlin said the drainpipe along the bridge will be altered to ensure that children can't cross it.

While the fence is under construction, local mothers will operate a crossing guard system to monitor children, said Linda McDonald, Northridge PTA president.

Fifteen mothers volunteered to monitor the bridge during heavy use times — when children go to school and return home at four different times during the day, McDonald said.

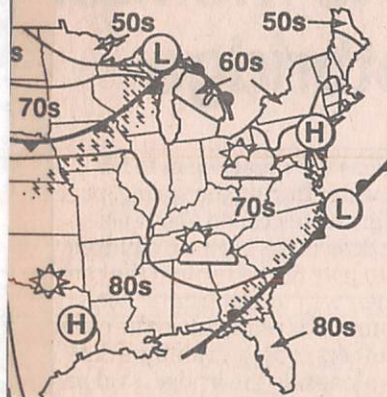
"We try to have a mother down there at the key times of the day," Conrad said.

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Students use a footbridge to cross the Murdock Canal to reach Northridge Elementary in northeast Orem.

THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1993



High temperature
Forecast for noon Friday



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Great Salt L., Utah L.: Partly cloudy with scattered p.m. showers. Temps 80, 50s.

Flaming Gorge: Partly cloudy with scattered showers. Temps high 70s, low 50s.

TEMPERATURES

LOCAL-UTAH

	High	Low	Prec.
Salt Lake City	87	62	
Blanding	80	51	
Cedar City	77	47	.05
Delta	82	50	
Logan	81	52	
Ogden	85	57	
Price	77	52	
Provo	88	54	
Richfield	82	47	
St. George	87	58	
Vernal	77	40	
Wendover	83	60	

NATIONAL

	Max	Lo	Pr.	Sky
Albuquerque	82	56		cdy
Anchorage	48	43	.16	cdy
Atlanta	79	62	.05	cdy
Boise	94	63		cdy
Boston	70	48		clr
Casper	75	45		cdy
Chicago	84	40		cdy
Dallas	73	59		clr
Denver	71	47		cdy
Detroit	82	41		cdy
Fairbanks	66	45		cdy
Honolulu	85	69	.02	clr
Las Vegas	91	67		cdy
Los Angeles	72	55		clr

grants.
According to the Chronicle, BYU football coach LaVell Edwards was one of the highest-paid employees for fiscal 1991-1992 because a one-time annuity payment lifted his income to \$150,052. He was not included among BYU's five highest-paid in 1991-1992.

The top earner at the 190 pri-

ties — each making over \$400,000 in pay and benefits. Boston University President John Silber was the highest-paid university president. He received \$414,715 in salary, bonuses, deferred income and benefits for 1991-1992. The average presidential income listed in the Chronicle was \$155,000, including pay and benefits.

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The Associated Press contributed to this story.

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